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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Ib JOHANNSEN et al. Group Art Unit: 2643

Application No.: 09/867,606 Examiner: Brian Ensey

Filing Date: May 31, 2001

Title: A METHOD OF PROVIDING A HYDROPHOBIC  
LAYER AND A CONDENSER MICROPHONE  
HAVING SUCH A LAYER

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Attorney Docket: 45900-000611/US

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July 14, 2004

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed April 27, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page two (2) of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page six (6) of this Response.

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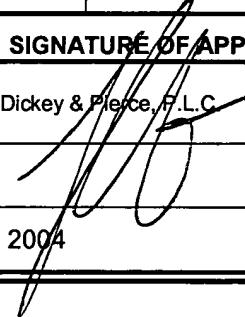
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